

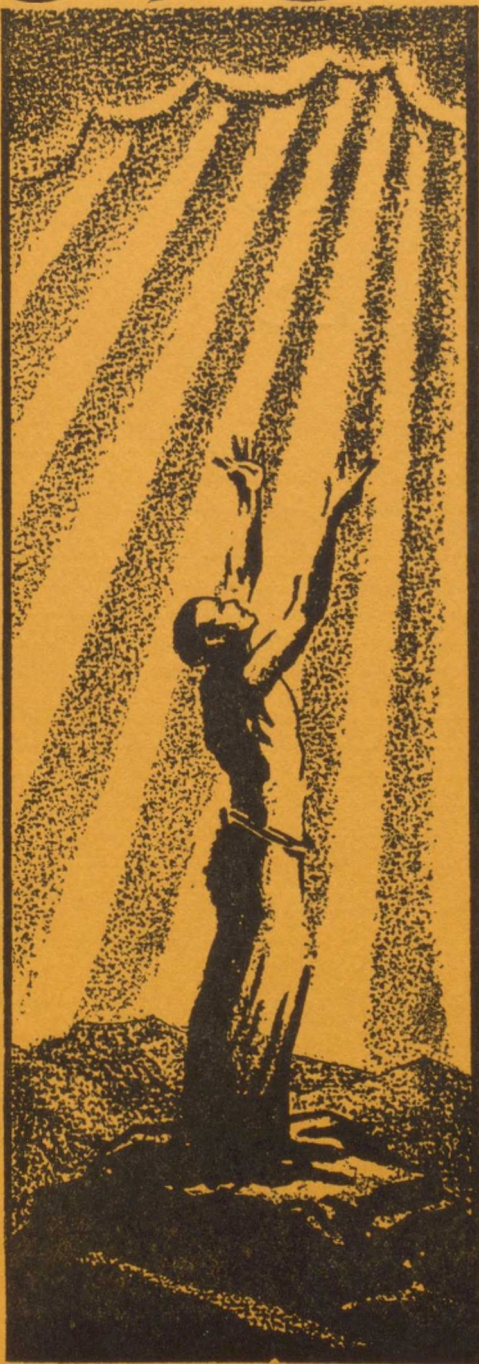
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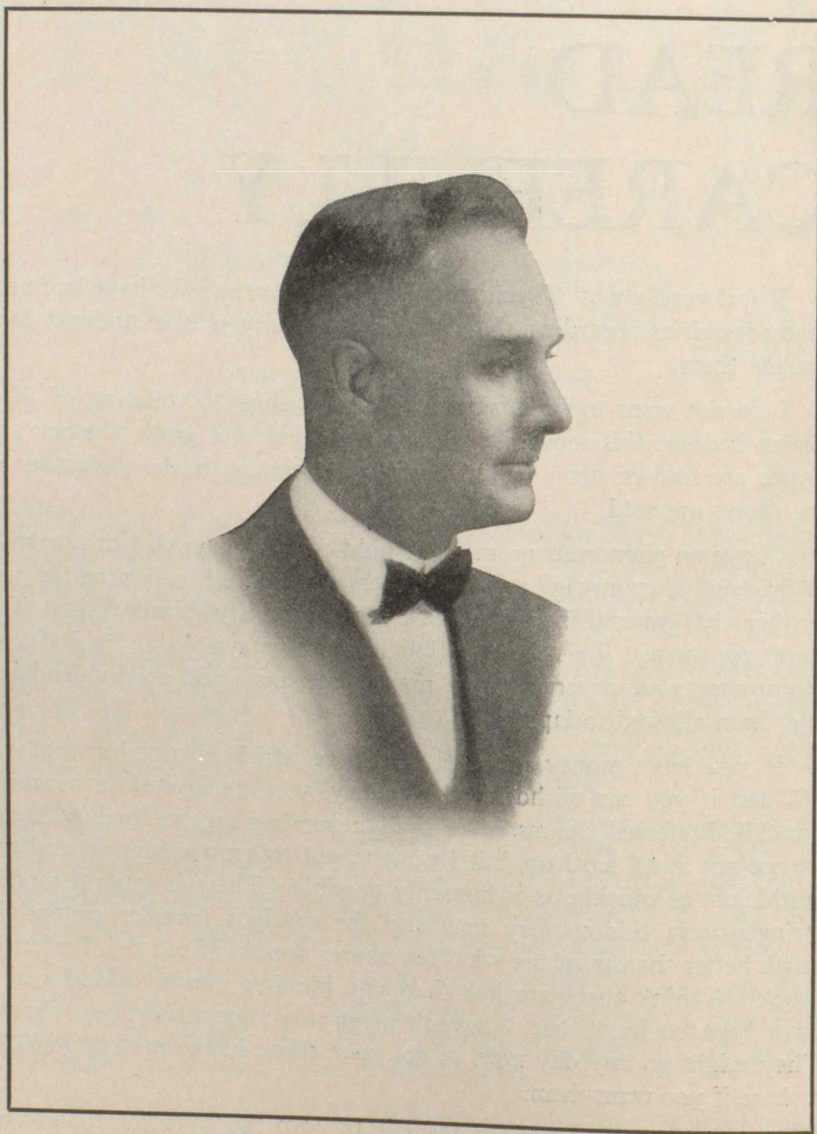
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THE EVOLUTION OF GOD

Twenty-five years before Christ was ever heard of, an old Egyptian, King Hammurabi, told to his followers the story of creation. There was a great flood of course, which drowned the people from off the face of the earth. Just a few were saved. Then he drew up a code of laws of which the Mosaic code is almost an absolute copy. Trustingly the people believed and followed King Hammurabi. Trustingly they believed and followed Moses.

Those who attempted to lend an air of authenticity to the Bible very artfully dated the first chapter of Genesis 4,000 B. C. This is according to the Chronology of Bishop Ussher. Happily, however, this is but a proof that this date is just a figment of someone's imagination and it is also well known that Moses had nothing to do with writing the books which were so long attributed to him. It is a well-known fact among Bible scholars that the Hammurabi code by far antedates the Mosaic code of laws.

On carefully studying both of these codes, we find quite convincing evidence of an evolution from the Hammurabi code to the Pentateuch of the Bible. The God of King Hammurabi transforms himself into the God of Moses and in the process of transformation he loses some of his terrific aspects. Not all of them, but some of them.

We jump then from the old Mosaic God down to the Modernistic God and we find some more evolution taking place. This time God has changed from the ruthless, destructive Spirit to a human form, a man. He becomes a son of himself and at the same time, he remains his own father. The disciples of the most recent God claim that he was of divine origin and of supernatural birth. They tell us he had a woman for his mother and a God for his father. They tell us that although he was conceived of a woman, he still was begotten of Deity and molded in the human form by comprehending essentially the full measure of a Triune God-head. This, of course, would make him half human and half divine. We are told that every life must sooner or later bow to this later God and every tongue must confess that he was the great Triune God of the Universe. That proclamation,

we are told, was uttered nearly two thousand years ago, but we know that this is not a fact. However, whether it was or not does not concern us here where there is no possibility that this claim has ever been or is ever likely to be fulfilled, and not only that but we find that this claim has not even been universally accepted, nor is it ever likely to be universally accepted.

To the contrary, we find that for every one professing to believe this claim, there are thousands who do not believe it, and for every one holding membership in some religious organization existing by virtue of this claim, we find that the vast majority of them do not believe this claim. Again, we find that this unusual claim has been so successfully controverted that no thinking man takes it seriously any more. There are those, of course, who swayed by religious emotion or perhaps blind faith in parental reverence, choose to state that they do accept this claim in its entirety. It must be remembered though that blind faith can never lead to any scientific or really religious truth. We must reason together and all evidence for and against any unusual claims must be carefully weighed.

When this later God was upon the earth even those of his own household questioned whether the divine claims made by him were tenable or not. When we extend our researches to other countries, we find that instead of being conceded, it is most emphatically denied by millions. These millions have a rival claim which they choose to advance. For instance, if the Christian states that his God had a miraculous birth and came to save the world, quite a similar claim is advanced by more millions of others whose claims originated long before the God of the Christians was ever heard of. All of these different religious organizations have a God of their own and each one of them claims that their own God is the only true God the world has ever seen. All the other folks' Gods are false, and this is the stand the Christian takes too. They argue that as the story of the miraculous birth of the Christian Savior is of more recent date than that of their own Savior, the story must be a borrowed copy of which these older and Pagan religions claim authorship.

Certainly the Christian religion in its fundamentals is based upon or borrowed from Pagan religious philosophies of far older date than Christianity. This statement is a hard pill, yet it is the truth and we had better face it, for only by facing Truth can we find Truth, and I for one shall not accept or believe any religious story if the evidence at hand is against its truth, even though all the priests and preachers in existence implored me on a stack of Bibles to please believe it in the interest of my own soul's salvation.

If I search into Oriental history, I find that it reveals the remarkable fact that stories of incarnate Gods, answering to and resembling the miraculous character of Jesus Christ have been prevalent in practically all the principal religious Heathen nations of antiquity. This one fact alone causes grave doubts of the veracity of the Christian story to appear in my mind, and where I am not sure of my ground, I halt. Noticing the confusion among the leaders of the Christian religion today and observing the effects of this confusion, the thought occurs to me that perhaps another revolutionary period in the history of God is being gone through. So with this in mind, I take note of and review the evidence. I find that the confusion existing among the different branches of the Christian religion is but an evidence that none of these branches are very sure whether they have the real Truth or not. If any one of these differing sects or denominations would present the entire Truth, would not the rest of them follow by the weight of their own error?

I have tried intelligently to reconcile the story of the Christian God with existing conditions and I have tried to do this with an unbiased, fervent, inquiring mind. But I cannot reconcile them. I recall the story of the wise man. I remember the floating star. I refer to the birth of the virgin Babe of Bethlehem, and I remember the proclamation made, we are told, on those Judean Plains nearly two thousand years ago. The Christians sang it then and have been singing it ever since, "Peace on earth, good will to men." I look around me and wonder if the story is true. Hundreds of thousands of lives have been lost in the past two thousand years since this proclamation was uttered. I ponder over this and wonder why

this virgin Babe of Bethlehem did not immediately bring his peace to the earth. I trace as fully as possible the origin of the book recounting this miraculous story, which book we are asked to believe is divinely inspired by the preaching peasant of Palestine, the Christian God. Instead of finding evidence of its divine inspiration, I find that no one knows who wrote it. I find it to consist of a group of anonymous inscriptions, all of which have been lost. I take the Christian claims that Matthew, Mark, Luke and John wrote the four gospels and running down these claims, I find that they do not stand up under the test. So once again, I wonder if perhaps the whole story is not a copy of many other stories and might not be but one more step in the upward evolution of the God-Idea. The more I ponder over this, the more convinced I am that it is the truth.

Under no circumstances would I condemn anyone, whether an individual or an organization, for their religious beliefs. I have no right to condemn them, for I believe that every God story we have ever had to date was honestly originated and honestly believed. By this I mean that the founders of these different religious beliefs were perhaps all convinced of the truth of the story they were trying to propagate.

On the Palmyra Hill in New York State, we are told that one day an angel appeared to a certain Mr. Smith. Mr. Smith was told to go out and dig under a tree, which he did, and there he found a book with leaves of gold upon which were written strange hieroglyphics. Mr. Smith could not read or understand these hieroglyphics, so the angel told him to look underneath the book, and on complying with the angel's request, Mr. Smith found a pair of spectacles, which he put upon his nose, after which he was able to immediately decipher the writings of God, which the angel of God had led him to. Now it would take quite a stretch of the imagination for me to state that I believe that story to be true. I am, nevertheless, willing to give the denomination that believes that story the benefit of the doubt. We have lots of Mormons out here in Idaho and Utah and they tenaciously hold their beliefs like other religions do. Whether the beliefs are foolish and impossible or not seems to make

no difference. They all have lots of followers.

If you trace back the major Protestant denominations in this wonderful land of ours, we find them all born and nurtured around stories that it would be hard to really believe today. So once more the idea is born upon me that we might be passing through an evolutionary period in life's religious belief and structure, for certainly life is evolutionary. There is a growth. You cannot stand still for if you do that, you stagnate and die.

It seems to be the general idea though, that in every line of effort, we can change and grow, but along religious lines, we must stay right where our forefathers put us thousands of years ago. I believe this to be wrong. Man isn't a perfect being and while I will admit that God never changes, yet at the same time, man certainly is a changing animal. I think practically every thinking man or woman will admit with me that a period of religious evolution is being gone through. This being a fact, it might be well to see if we cannot read the signs of the times and find out where this evolution might be leading us. We know one thing. We know that it is leading us away from old Pagan God-Ideas to more harmonious and more reasonable ideas. We do not believe for one moment that the Great Creative Intelligence that brought this world into being ever regretted itself that it made man in its own image only to discover that it had made a mistake and corrected this mistake by drowning from off the face of the earth the entire human creation, except one man, who, on his release from the Ark, immediately proceeded to get drunk to celebrate the occasion.

The evolution of the God-Idea is leading us away from that sort of thing. It is also leading us away from this fear of eternal torment, and that is a good thing. No more do thinking men and women believe that Dives in his agony screamed from the depths of Hell's burning inferno, to one Lazarus, asking him for God's sake to dip his finger in a cup of cold water and cool his parched tongue. One drop of water wouldn't have been any good anyhow, because it would have been turned into steam long before it had an opportunity to cool anyone's tongue in that blazing furnace of Hell. The evolution of the God-Idea is also

leading us away from the foolish theory that by eating a piece of cracker and drinking a glass of wine we are actually and literally eating the body and drinking the blood of God who made this Universe. It is amazing to know how many poor deluded dupes of Catholics and Protestants go through that foolish exercise every few weeks.

The evolution of the God-Idea is also leading us away from the idea of the judgment day. A man comes into the world without his consent and he usually leaves it without his consent too. He cannot help being born, and yet our religious organizations today would have us believe that there must be a great day of reckoning. They tell us we must all stand before a great judgment throne, there to be judged for the deeds done in the body. The Great Creator of this Universe himself is to be the judge, and there can be no appeal from that Court of last decision. Whether we shall hear the words, "Come ye blessed of my father," or whether we shall hear the words, "depart from me, ye cursed, I never knew you." It seems to me that I should hate to be put to trial for my life before any judge capable of uttering such a sentence as this latter one, and no thinking man or woman today believes this to be a true statement of facts. I am talking about thinking people here and not about religious fanatics or those who are depending for their enlightenment upon blind belief, no matter what organization sells this belief, for they all sell it. It is not given away free.

Now, if the evolution of God is leading us away from all such ideas as these, I wonder what we have left. Certainly not very much of orthodox theology have we, and that is a good thing too because the farther we get away from old Pagan ideas and superstitions, the nearer we shall get to the Infinite Spirit of God itself. The evolution of the God-Idea is most certainly leading men and women to a true realization of this true God consciousness. With the falling away and the disproving of the old theories and philosophies, a new conception of God is being given to the human race. The most blessed thing about this new conception lies in the fact that it teaches that the Great God presence is not removed from its Creation but is in the midst of it.

If you take away all stories of the incarnate God, if you disprove their tales of the miraculous birth, crucifixion, resurrection and miraculous ascension, then you immediately put God and man on the same level and that is exactly where they belong. That is where they always should have been and to me it is a heartrending sight to see the thousands of people in this wonderful land of ours, Sunday after Sunday listening to the prattle of some black-robed priest or long-haired preacher who knows no more of what he is talking about than does the man in the moon. I have said before, and I say it again, that the greatest blessing that could ever come to this country would be the closing of the doors of every mass-house and every religious shop in the country. If this were done, man would have to look amongst his own kind for God, and there he would find him. The evolution of the God-Idea I said was putting God and man on the same level. Not bringing God down to the level of man but raising man to the level of God. It seems to me that any perfect understanding of this Spiritual Realm must be built upon a foundation of perfect understanding between man and his God, if he has a God or needs one. With the Infinite removed so far from the finite that there can be no understanding of each other, man is indeed in a hopeless condition and a God who would place himself so far above man that it required the efforts of priests and preachers to intercede for man, would be an utterly useless God. And yet, I repeat that there are thousands of people Sunday after Sunday who will chew up a piece of biscuit, drink a glass of wine, go into a confession box with a "father," really and honestly believing that such tommyrot is necessary to their soul's salvation. What a pity. The evolution of God is drawing us far away from that sort of thing, and what do you think I find taking the place of it? I find a manifestation of the Great Life Spirit—God—all around me.

There is a little clock ticking on my book-case and I see the results of the "God Contact" in that little piece of mechanism containing all of those wheels. On the walls of this study are beautiful paintings and as I look at the paintings, I find definite evidence of the handiwork of the Great God Spirit working through the mind of the painter. A lady sits opposite me tak-

ing dictation and I see there an evidence of the results of the operations of the Great Life Spirit. A few seconds ago, a newspaper boy climbed up the stairs, whistling as loud as he was able to, and in that boy's whistle, I found complete and overwhelming evidence of the existence of the Spirit of God here and now on the same plane on which I manifest. All these things are around me. I see them, I can touch them, and I see no use of looking for some remote abode far beyond the sky in which to find God. The evolution of the God-Idea has led me to see this divine presence here and now.

Take as a basis of the evolution, the old Pagan theories of God, held perhaps ten thousand years ago. The climb certainly has been an upward one. Orthodox churches will tell you that it is a downward one, but this is not a fact. In Bible times, we are told that the church God struck dead in one blow over fifty thousand men, women and children for trying to look into a little wooden box in which he lived. Today I look at the beautiful lily growing on the hillside and there I find God. I look at the little children playing on the street and there I see God. I think you will admit with me that the evolution has certainly been upward and not downward, for it has removed a horrible God from the heavens and has transformed him into a Spirit of Life, a Spirit of Light, a Spirit of Love, here and now. This God I can comprehend but I never could comprehend the Bible God with all his monstrosities. I can take the tiniest little baby and kiss that little thing, for I see the Spirit of God there.

Not long ago in New York City, my friend, Major Wheless, took me into a museum in which was being displayed the most gruesome instruments of religious torture I have ever seen nor heard of. Racks upon which human souls were torn limb from limb, wooden bath tubs from the inside of which protruded cruel spikes three inches long into which the naked victim was thrown, there to be rocked to death by humble followers of the Lord. Funnels through which molten lead was poured into the ears of those who did not accept the religious views of the church organization then in power. I personally stood inside the famous iron maiden, a gruesome and horrible piece of machinery built upon a

hinge and hollow on the inside. The naked victim was placed in this "Christian" contraption and the door was shut. On the inside of the door, six inch spikes cruelly sharpened, punctured the eyes, mouth, throat, breasts, abdomen and legs of the victim. On each side of the iron maiden's head were these terrible funnels through which his agony was increased by the pouring of molten lead. That was religion during the days of the famous Inquisition. That was the effect of the God-Idea in those days. So I think that the evolution of God certainly is upward.

On a bitterly cold night not very long ago, a poor half-clad creature was walking forlornly down the streets of Moscow. The sight touched me, so I followed him and tapping him on the shoulder said, "Where are you going?" He probably thought I was a detective or police officer of some kind for he was considerably afraid and informed me that he was "beating it down to the railroad track to catch the next train out." I asked the poor devil if he had any money, and was informed that he hadn't eaten for two days. It was my humble privilege to see that proper food and shelter was provided and that sufficient money was provided to send him back to New York, where he has a good home. Such experiences as that are but the result of the evolution of the God-Idea and I think that

you will admit that a religion which compels a man to have compassion for the less fortunate brother is a far better religion than the one which rocks them into eternity in a spiked bath tub.

Now I wonder, in closing this article, if my readers will be big enough to grasp the idea that the only God Realm there ever can be, exists here and now. Ponder this over, for all you will ever know of God, you will know here and now.

I do not want to cut this article too short, but I do want to leave with you the thought that your entire life with its thinking will be revolutionized in the moment that you grasp the God Spirit in your life here and now and I am here to say that all the beauty, all the power, all the love of the Spiritual Realm is all around you. You can take it or leave it. If you take it, you will be equipped to do your part in carrying the message around the world and you will become a marvelous beacon light of Power. If you reject it, you will probably work and eat and sleep, and wake up to work and eat and sleep some more. The achievements of man can be no higher than his conception of God. Therefore, raise your conception and according to your conception will the results be and so will your life be.

May the Infinite Spirit of Presence, Peace, Power and Plenty be grasped by every reader of this magazine.

Any Life Buildded on the Invisible
Spirit of God is a Life of
"POWER"



"EACH IN HIS OWN TONGUE"

William Herbert Carruth in his undying poem, "Each in His Own Tongue," tells this story with an art and emotion born of genius.

"A fire-mist and a planet,
A crystal and a cell,
A jelly-fish and a saurian,
And caves where cave-men dwell;
Then a sense of law and beauty
And a face turned from the clod—
Some call it Evolution,
And others call it God.

"A haze on the far horizon,
The infinite, tender sky,
The ripe, rich tint of the cornfields,
And the wild geese sailing high—
And all over upland and lowland
The charm of the golden-rod—
Some of us call it Autumn
And others call it God.

"Like tides on a crescent sea-beach,
When the moon is new and thin,
Into our hearts high yearnings
Come welling and surging in—
Come from the mystic ocean
Whose rim no foot has trod—
Some of us call it Longing,
And others call it God.

"A picket frozen on duty,
A mother starved for her brood,
Socrates drinking the hemlock,
And Jesus on the rood;
And millions who, humble and nameless,
The straight, hard pathway plod—
Some call it Consecration,
And others call it God."



THE GOD CONTACT

Recently most of the letters coming in to me have dealt with the question of "Contacting God." Many of the letters have stated that the writers have very easily done this, while others state that they are having quite a time. I realize perfectly well just what these good students of mine are facing and I wish I could write this article so that it would answer the problem for one hundred thousand people. No two of us are alike though, and I realize full well that no matter what I shall say bearing directly on this subject, there will be some few, perhaps, who will not understand it. You will notice that in my writings, I strive to be quite simple, outspoken and plain.

This question of the "God Contact" is at the very heart of everything I teach. It is the keystone upon which the structure of "Psychiana" rests. It is also the keystone and must be the keystone upon which every other structure that is grounded in Spiritual Truth also rests. There is only one truth in the world and that is Spiritual Truth. That is God. Everything true is God. Everything untrue or false lies in the absence of God. It makes no difference from what source Spiritual Truth comes, if there is really Spiritual Truth it has got to be what we call God. Oftentimes I wish there were no such word as God. As a matter of fact, there really is no such word. It really means "The Gods" and that is a far more plausible and reasonable term to use. As the term "The Gods" is used today, it means something quite indefinite and those in past ages who thought the God-Idea was necessary, tried to make "The Gods" more personal, so they changed it from the plural to the singular. By doing so, however, they perhaps lost the better meaning and the larger meaning and stultified the idea. As I have many times told you, the God-Idea is changing. The Spiritual Law itself is not changing, but human ideas regarding it certainly are changing. At the risk of being misunderstood, I am going to say that I question very much whether the God-Idea can be saved, and I also question very much whether it is advisable to try to save it. Certainly not the orthodox interpreta-

tion of it. So before we can intelligently talk about "Contacting God," I think it might be in order to try and find out just what this means. Just what is this God-Idea anyhow?

I received a letter not very long ago from Billy Sunday. In this letter this vaudeville preacher asked me "for God's sake to quit taking away the peoples' God." He stated that it was hard enough to get people to believe in God these days without having me upset the apple cart and throw a monkey wrench into the works as fast as people believe. I appreciate, I suppose, the sincerity of this letter, if there is any sincerity in it, but I must point out to this gentleman that the God-Idea held by him might be entirely different from the God-Idea held by me. Any conception of God, or any idea of God that I can take away from anyone, isn't worth having in the first place, and they would be better off without it in the second place.

The trouble is in there being so many conceptions and ideas of God that people today hardly know which way to turn to find the right one. As a result, the church is a laughing stock as far as Spiritual Truths are concerned. It is quite unnecessary to allude to the church any more when we talk about things pertaining to God. Every fundamental the church has is a hold-over from different systems of Pagan religion. Even the Christmas or Yule period was celebrated long before Christ was ever heard of. As you know, the fundamentals of Christianity are nothing more nor less than copies of the fundamentals of many Pagan philosophies and systems of Pagan religion. This, of course, throws a lot of doubt on the God-Idea as advocated by this Christian religion. I have often stated that had there been only one Crucified Savior, we might perhaps consider his claim, but when there have been at least a dozen or so, all making the same claims, no thinking man will even entertain any of their claims seriously.

I would not be understood, nor does it follow that because the God-Idea of today has been wrong, that there is no correct God-Idea. What I say is that in the on-

ward evolution of the human race, our ideas of God and Gods change as do your ideas on everything else change. We are not at the end of the evolutionary period yet. I do think, however, that we are on the threshold of the Law, the full secret of life which, of course, means the full secret of death too, for death is only the absence of life, and if we ever do know the secret of life, we must automatically know the secret of death too, if it be a secret.

The old idea of God when I was a child was that of an individual living above the sky. Of course, we know that isn't true and the fact that it isn't true is causing consternation among the ranks of people of this country, and is causing considerably more consternation among the religious leaders. They see their pet theories exploded on every hand. They see the laity being told that the fundamentals upon which they have built their religious structure were known to millions of people before their own God was ever heard of. So naturally consternation reigns supreme and the leopard tries to change its spots. These good gentlemen never doubt for one moment but what the story told them by their parents in childhood is correct. Now they do not know just what to do. Some of them are embracing what they call Modernism, while the more fanatical cling to what they call Fundamentalism. I question whether this subject of God has ever been discussed as much as it is being discussed today. I also question whether there ever was as much intelligent thought given to it as is being given to it today, and that is a good thing, for thinking will inevitably find the Truth. I teach that one's thoughts are the channels through which all Spiritual Truth is made, and this being a fact, the truth of this God-Idea will be found in the thinking of some man somewhere. Now we have many fearless thinkers and able minds who are concentrating all their thoughts on these problems. Just as surely as the night follows the day, the solution will follow this profound thinking.

I said there was more talk about God now than there ever had been before, but at the same time, I think there is perhaps less faith in any God than there ever was before. This certainly is a fact if we allude to the old orthodox church God. It is not now so much a fact, however, if we allude

to "The Gods," for on every hand we see those dissatisfied with the church theories who at the same time are intensely religious in their nature. These people will not be satisfied in adopting an attitude of "nobody knows" for they instinctively know that there is an answer to the problem and the very fact that they do seek further knowledge of the Truth is definite assurance that the answer to their problem lies somewhere. As matters stand today, however, we find tens of thousands of people all over the world with a new idea of God. The old story of the virgin birth and all of that tommyrot has been exploded and thousands of men and women have actually found the real Truth of God as it exists.

Many of the flexible-spined preachers are seeing this condition and are tearing their hair, gnashing their teeth and wailing in horror at the terribly lost condition of the whole world. On the other hand, those who have absolutely no belief in any sort of God are very happy to see this state of affairs exists. Now, neither of these stands is correct. The Bible, or rather the church story of the creation and Jesus Christ, of course as interpreted by the church, is impossible. It is just as foolish though and shows just as much lack of foresight to say that no God of any kind exists, and there are those who say that. The universe and everything in it was all caused by chance. Now by getting away from orthodox ideas of God and also getting away from the idea that there is no God, it seems to me that there is a middle path we can pursue, which path is far more apt to find the answer than is either of the other two stands. Chance, we can pas out of the picture entirely. Man is far too intricate a piece of physiological protoplasm to ever consider chance for a moment. Back of it all there must exist a Controlling Intelligence or a Controlling Law. I teach that there is both. There is a Law because it works exactly the same under any and all circumstances and there is Intelligence because it directs its own workings. I have no difficulty in imagining an Intelligent Law. No difficulty whatsoever.

Whenever you combine one atom of hydrogen with one atom of chlorine gas, invariably you have formed hydro-chloric acid. It makes no difference whether you do it at the North Pole or the South Pole.

It makes no difference whether you combine these two atoms in Russia, Germany or Sweden, whenever and wherever you do combine them chemically, you always obtain hydro-chloric acid. That is a chemical Law. There is no possible way we can get around it. It just simply works under any and all circumstances.

Now many of my students and Brotherhood members will be able to grasp the fact, and the amazing fact, that the Realm of God might very easily be a Realm of a similar Law. You will quite easily see that if a natural chemical Law exists, a natural spiritual Law can exist also. Very few of us have ever thought enough about the atomic Law to even faintly grasp its magnitude, and I suggest that we give a little thought to the illustration given above. Anyhow, these laws do exist. I have in my hand at the present moment a little key chain. If I release my hold on the key chain, it falls to the floor. It will fall to the floor no matter where I be, on the ocean liner at sea or up in an airplane. That is the Law of Gravitation, and has always been the Law of Gravitation. Perhaps some of my students will not have as easy a time imagining an Intelligent Spiritual Law as they will have in imagining just a straight Spiritual Law that works in the Spiritual Realm exactly as the Natural Law of Gravitation works in the Psychical Realm. But, is not the Law of Gravitation Intelligent? Why, when I release the key chain, does it not make a mistake once in a while and jump up into the air and fasten itself onto the ceiling. You might come back at me by stating that the Law of Gravitation is caused by the planetary motion of the planetary system, including this earth. Even then I ask the same question. Do you think for one moment that the Law controlling yon celestial sphere with its millions and billions of planets is not Intelligent? Do you think that is a blind Law? Perhaps you do, but I don't. There is an Intelligence manifested, as you may see if you look up at the stars any night, which is far beyond your comprehension and mine. To me there is a Law manifesting which certainly is beyond your comprehension and mine and so far as I can conceive, this Law must be Intelligent.

To tack a personality onto the Law, or to run any personality of any sort into the

picture, would spoil the beauty of the entire scene, for is it not too vast and too comprehensive for such a tiny thing as a personality to enter into? I think it is. And furthermore, you may believe me when I say to you that you will find that no personality of any kind has ever entered into the Law controlling the Spiritual Realm, and never can enter into it.

The ancient Egyptians and the Syrians, the oldest races we know of, conceived their God-Ideas through ignorance. The stars, they told us, were immense balls of fire suspended from the sky by iron chains. The earth was flat, supported by four pillars. Even the infallible Bible tells us the earth has four corners. This present God-Idea originated in the minds of superstitious people, thousands and perhaps millions of years ago.

Now shall we see if we can get a different picture of this God-Idea. Let us see if we cannot find out whether there is such a thing as a "God-Contact" or not. So far as we know, there is no life on any planet outside of this one. That, however, is merely surmise, for no one knows. Whether there is or not does not enter into the picture at all, for the same Law applies to this planet and to the life of this planet as it does to other planets. We recognize the fact of life here. There is no question about its existence at all. Now the important thing to grasp at this point is the fact that there was a time when no life of any kind was on this earth. We know that the moon is a dying sun and the unimpeachable evidence of geology informs us that this earth once was a molten mass which is still in the process of cooling. The volcanos throughout the world and the geysers in Yellowstone Park prove this statement. Now that is the first important fact for you to get clearly in your mind. That, of course was a long time ago, but really there is no such thing as time. A few hundred thousand years or a few million years means nothing at all when compared with this thing we call life, and I trust you will see this.

Now the second and far more important fact is that somehow in some way at some time or other, *life was manifested on this earth*. This is an astounding fact and yet it is a fact. I am not so much interested in whether the human race originated with

the tiny amoeba floating on the top of stagnant water or whether it was caused instantaneously by the act of some person called God. What difference does it make whether you and I are the product of an evolutionary process that has been going on for millions of years or whether our forefathers were instantly created through some supernatural act on the part of some supernatural being? Do you think the creation would be any less wonderful in one case than in the other? I think the evolutionary theory of life is far more wonderful than any instantaneous creation by the act of God ever can be. The creation has nothing to do with it, but the fact that life does exist is the all important thing for us to think about now.

Now where are we? We find life in some form or other (and I am talking about human life now) manifested on a planet which we know to be nothing more or less than a cooling mass. Now follow me carefully. This thing we call life must be a product of this cooling process or it came to this earth after the mass had cooled, in which case it must have come from somewhere else. It would not have been possible for this marvelous life instinct or life impulse to have come from the mass of fire or to have originated itself on a cooling planet. Hence, it must have come from the outside. Now, if there be life on the rest of the millions of planets, the natural inference is that life on the planets also came in the same manner in which it came to this planet. Certainly it could not have originated as life on the planet itself.

Now where does this leave us? It leaves us face to face with the fact that this life principle manifested itself on this earth at a certain period of its cooling process, and between a few degrees of temperature, for life cannot exist except between the temperature of 97° and 107°, came from the outside. Now what is human life? Let's look at it and see.

What we call a Law is obeyed, and two tiny germs, millions of which would go on any pin head, were united. The Law governing child birth was complied with. The man and the woman had done their part and at that very moment some outside power stepped into the picture and took complete charge of the building operations. That must have been an Intelligent Law

which stepped into the picture at that time, took control of the effects of the human relationship and nine months later presented to the world, the most marvelous piece of human engineering the world has ever seen. Now I am talking here about the manifestations of physical life and the Law governing it. I am not talking about the inherent life principle which controls and motivates that human body from then on. Did you ever try to think at what moment a child became a living being, or a living soul? Let's look back. Prior to the time of the birth of the child and prior to the time the umbilical cord binding that child to its mother is cut, mother and baby are essentially the same being. The baby is certainly not alive although it is a piece of living protoplasm, deriving its life directly from the mother. Now see what happens. A physician is called, he severs this umbilical cord and if nothing else happens, that baby dies. Now what does he do? He gives the baby a few spansks on the back or elsewhere and this baby inhales its first breath of air. That is the period when human life enters that child. That is the time when a new, separate and distinct entity is born and exists. The first breath of air into the lungs of a baby is synonymous with the life principle manifested in that baby and making it one more in the world's population.

Now this breath of life came from the outside, and by the way, it is interesting to note that in the Bible allegory of the story of creation, we are told that after the Lord had formed man out of the dust of the ground, He breathed into his nostrils the breath of life and man became a living soul. So you see, although we know that the Bible account is allegory, at the same time, a germ of a great truth is evident. I trust sincerely that you have grasped this little picture that I have been trying to paint, for it is essential that you do grasp it if you are to grasp what is to follow.

Here then, we have an example of what I call the life principle operating in a new human soul, or a human body whichever you prefer. The little thing goes through its months of bawling, squalling, crawling, and mauling and the years go by, it, in turn, does its part in repeating the same process. In other words, the life principle which entered that baby carried with it the ability to further propagate its kind and transfer

the same life it received from the outside to others, only however, IN A PHYSICAL FORM. The same process of breathing and slapping on the back had to be followed in every instance.

Now I don't think it unreasonable at all for me to state that as this life instinct or impulse came from the outside it does not exist on the outside as either a personality or an individuality. That could never be. What it does exist as is an invisible, intelligent, dynamic force or power or Spirit, whichever you choose to call it, and this I have been teaching since I first released this philosophy of life called "Psychiana."

Now you will admit with me that if this life principle comes from the outside and if it stays with one through what we call the natural period, "the contact" began when our own life began away back yonder on the bed when we drew our first breath. Right then and there was "the contact" with God, if we choose to call it God, made. Oh, how I pity those poor benighted individuals who write and tell me they cannot "contact God." I invariably write back and tell them that the contact has already been made or they could not exist five seconds. Now you see with this contact already there, their need for making it does not and cannot exist. In other words, everything that this great Life Principle can ever do for you or can ever give to you was done and given the moment you were born. You were given life through no act of your own and as the years have gone by, you have developed into maturity and the "God contact" has ever been there.

Here is what happened. You have been looking for some God in the sky or some mysterious being REMOVED FROM HIS CREATION to help you out and you have been badly fooled. Let me say to you, whoever you may be, that you do not need any manifestation from God, other than what you have now. What you do need is to recognize the fact that you yourself are God. You yourself are an indestructible and essential and definite part of the great life principle which must be and is behind every creation in the universe. You can't recognize this fact and ever write to me and say that you cannot find God or that you cannot make the "God contact." You will make it though after receiving this lesson, or rather, I should say, you will recognize the

fact that the contact has been already made.

Now let's go a little farther and somehow or other, I feel that this article is going to marvelously help thousands of members of this Brotherhood. I am writing this on the 11th of February and Northern Idaho is covered with snow. At the present time a very strong wind is blowing the snow outside and this little village has experienced the coldest weather in its history during the past week. As I look through my window and watch the snow flakes being driven by the wintry blast hither and yon, I am thinking about what I have just said to you, and there comes to me a sense of supreme satisfaction, for I know what I have said to you is what we call God's Truth.

Now let's go a little farther. Taking it for granted that there does exist all around us an Infinite Spirit of Life, do you not see what a marvelous intelligence this must be? Do you think there can ever arise any circumstance over which this great Life Spirit has not control? And if you would think that I am drawing upon my imagination, let me call your attention to the fact that the world's greatest scientists today are writing about and investigating what they call Cosmic Ray. They claim that it comes from interstellar spaces. I claim the same thing, but instead of looking upon this ray as electricity or light, I look upon it as a thinking Intelligent power called God. You will see here though that attempting to put a human interpretation on the power of this God-Spirit, robs it of its beauty. You see it is just so far that we can go and then we must try to go no farther for the present. If you could understand the operations of this Life Principle now, the mysteries of the universe would be solved and you are not ready for this yet, and the demonstration will not be made until the world is ready for it.

I am going to leave you here and I want you to lose yourself in the ocean of an Infinite Spirit which gave you life in the first place, and which exists to continue giving you life in the second place. I wish I were permitted to say more to you now, but I shall not as the time is not ripe. I want you to lose yourself in this Infinite Spirit which is love as well as life, which is peace as well as love and which above all is power. I will carry you farther and far-

ther into this realm as the years go by and you will know a few years from today how hard it has been for me too keep locked up in my breast some of the Spiritual Truths I have been able to see.

This lesson has given you enough to think upon for quite some time, so I will leave it with you and I want you to keep distinctly quiet. Read this lesson lying on a bed or davenport and read it when you will not be disturbed. Then after you have read it, lay it to one side and keep absolutely still. Let your body be perfectly limp and direct your thought into the Great God consciousness as far away as you can direct them. Then I want you, if you have my picture hanging on the wall, to look at it. If not, visualize that picture, for you all know what I look like, and by doing this, there will come to you a strange "something" which will be the manifestation to you of the Realm of the Spirit of God. Don't misunderstand me here. There is nothing of virtue in me, absolutely nothing. I have never made the claim that there was and I never will, for it would be a lie if I did. In asking you

to think of me through my photograph, I am only doing it much in the same way as a sign post points the way to one town or another town. When you drive through the country and see these sign posts, you are not interested in the sign posts at all, you are interested in the message the sign post gives you. You do not examine it to see if it is made of oak or fir, you just simply are not interested. So please do not be interested in me, but just my message. I say this because I do not want any of my students to think that I, for one moment, think that I amount to anything, for to those who know me best, know better than that. However, the Great Eternal Laws of God in their workings often work in mysterious ways. Often using the frailest of vessels to confound those who think they are very strong and this great Spirit of God very often uses things which really are not to bring to naught those which think they are. All I ever want to be to my thousands of students and Brotherhood members is a sign post, pointing the way to Spiritual Truths.

When the churches of every brand and denomination forget their foolish and man-made theories of "immaculate conceptions," "vicarious atonements," "miraculous births," and all the rest of this pagan tommy-rot—and when they look beyond all the world's many "crucified saviors" to the Spirit of God,—when they do this, then they will know that God is Spirit and Spirit—the Spirit of God—is invisible Life, and invisible Love.

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THE REASON

CHALLENGE TO CLERGY

"Junction City, Ore.—(To the Editor)—It might, perhaps, be proper to dedicate this letter to Lane County Ministers and their rendezvous at Eugene this week to solve the problems of increasing church attendance and bettering humanity.

I, as one of the younger generation of whom the chaste ministers rebuke and wail over their unmoral attitude and lack of interest in church attendance, speak for myself but I sincerely believe my opinions on this matter may be considered those of a majority of the younger generation.

The ministerial souls complain from their pulpits and ponder the preference of the young for dancing and hilarity to setting quietly in the church of God.

There is only one answer for the hopeless ministers: We, the younger generation, will cheerfully resume our vacated pews when the ministers can give us a sermon worth getting out of bed at 10 o'clock after a Saturday night revel, to hear. Why go to church to hear a cut and dried two-hour sermon on our long skirts, our rouge and lipstick, our beer, our radios and dancing? Why go to church to listen to a long moral reading from the Bible? We are not interested in such trash; we see and hear the evils of this modern age sufficiently on week days and we are not so deprived of our common sense to believe all printed in the Bible.

But, do I hear ministers cry, what about orthodoxy and the church dogmas? Can we go through life without the aid of communion before God? Humbug! Why attempt to make saints out of us?

To enjoy life and this great universe God gave us, we must have a bit of devilishness in us to parallel the goodness.

And, dear ministers, it may help somewhat to see us back in our pews by abandoning your pulpits and giving us a real Patrick Henry lecture rather than one of the kind a saint with a halo hovering over his brow would give."

MISS HELENE DANIELSON.

The other day one of my students sent me a letter she had written to a newspaper and I think the letter is very well written and the point very cleverly made. I am reproducing this letter and commenting on it because it certainly hits the spot in this age of befuddled religious ideas and convictions.

Evidently certain preachers in this little Oregon city had been bewailing the fact that their efforts to make a success out of their ministry was meeting with failure. These preachers met in Eugene, Oregon, and went into a huddle and probably exchanged plenty of words trying to solve the problems of increasing church attendance and bettering humanity. One of the most ludicrous and foolish things I ever seen is a convention of preachers. They meet, shake hands all around, call each other "brother" and the most fervent of them will probably once in a while say a loud "God bless you" or "Amen." To me they are like a bunch of tadpoles swimming around in a gold fish bowl. They operate under the protection of some church outfit or other and while there are many good fellows amongst them, most of them are a bunch of spineless individuals making an easy living and accomplishing absolutely nothing for the betterment of the human race. The world at large rewards them exactly according to their efforts. It pays them what they are worth and their pay is pretty small. Their churches are empty, and as far as their being a power of any kind in their work, it must be a power for evil and not for good.

Now perhaps an outsider can give them a point or two on why their puny efforts meet with failure instead of success. In the first place, these fellows have nothing of an enlightening nature to give to anyone. All they can do is excoriate and libel those who do not believe as they believe. Their whole story is wrapped up around some mythical thing called "sin." If you were to take the "sin" idea away from them, they wouldn't have a leg to stand on. They deal entirely with the future and have nothing either simple nor plausible or helpful to offer here in this life. They talk about your "soul's salvation." But they forget entirely

the fact that this is the only life we know anything about. They also forget the fact that their teachings clothe their own God with a suspicion of incompetence, for we cannot see their God until after we die and certainly these good gentlemen are not in a position to speak with any degree of authority on that subject.

If we analyze the story they come to us with, we find it to be utterly incapable of proof. I haven't the slightest hesitation about pronouncing the entire thing false. Any religious philosophy in order to make any headway in this world and to impart to human lives Spiritual strength of any kind, must be a true philosophy, and this is what these preachers haven't got. If you examine the Westminster confession of faith, you find that it literally believes in a literal six-day creation according to the Bible, and you cannot be a good church member unless you accept this. Then they come to us with a cock-and-bull story that they are operating by divine authority with such authority coming through to them from God, and transmitted either through some pope or bishop or someone else. They have something that no one else has. They have gone through an experience called conversion, and all "inbred sin" has forever been banished from their life through an indwelling of the Holy Ghost. This is what they claim.

Now as a matter of fact, if these sky pilots knew anything at all about the Spirit of God, the first thing they would do would be to throw overboard, once and forever, the story upon which their entire structure is founded. No virgin ever gave birth to a child without the help of a good healthy man. The great Creative Intelligence of this Universe at no time entered the womb of any woman, there to be conceived in the form of a baby, which baby was to save the world and bring peace on earth, and good will to men. That story is only a copy of similar stories in existence long before the God of the present day preachers ever was heard of. I am unable to find one fundamental of the Christian church that I would care to intelligently believe. Certainly I am honest enough not to believe their stories, knowing as much as I know about them, and certainly all the preacher's congregations in the world would not be sufficient to sway me with enough religious

emotion to even join their organization. Looking at it from a social side, I give them a little money whenever they come after it, but as far as founders of life and Spiritual Truth go, the church and the preachers of today don't have any. I have many of them for my students and many of them are also seeing the light as it exists and I am always happy when this is so. There are honest souls among preachers just as there are among other individuals. Even the minister in Nashville, Tennessee, who so bitterly attacked me in such an un-called-for manner, has shown me his absolute honesty of purpose. I confess that I cannot conceive of anyone attacking another man in such a bitter and untrue manner as the Gospel Advocate through Mr. Brewer attacked me. Yet, I am convinced today of Mr. Brewer's absolute honesty of purpose. What this brother is doing is putting his faith 100% in a story taught by the Bible and taught by his denomination, and any and all who cannot and do not accept that story are automatically wrong. Personally, I never was able to see my way clear to make the statement that either "Psychiana" or myself are right and everyone else is wrong. I very freely admit that I am only a sign post standing on life's street corner and directing the way, and while I criticize in very plain language sometimes, the teachings of some of our religious organizations, it is only because I am in a position to prove that these teachings are certainly not original but are merely copies of Pagan religions which were in existence long before the Christian religion was ever heard of.

Shortly after this Gospel Advocate "exposure" appeared, Mr. Brewer was taken seriously ill. I was keeping a lot closer tab on the Gospel Advocate and on Mr. Brewer than they perhaps knew anything about, and I knew of his illness and knew the day he was taken to the hospital. A feeling of intense compassion, coupled with a desire to help, came over me and I sent Mr. Brewer a telegram expressing my sincerest sympathy and wished him a very speedy and complete recovery. Mr. Brewer was very dangerously ill and no one was allowed to see him or to communicate with him. On January 16, when Mr. Brewer was pretty well recovered, I received from him the following beautiful letter:

UNION AVENUE CHURCH OF CHRIST
 Union Avenue and Tucker Street
 G. C. BREWER, Minister
 Memphis, Tenn.
 January 16, 1933

Dr. Frank B. Robinson
 Moscow, Idaho.
 Dear Dr. Robinson:

Allow me to thank you for your telegram and for the sympathy and good wishes that it expressed during my recent suffering. I was in the midst of the ordeal when your message came. Through some sort of intuition I expected the message from you. I was not noticing everything that came to me, but my mind took cognizance of your message.

I have not yet recovered entirely, but I am convalescent, and I believe I will be well now.

Some time before I went to the hospital I sent your letter and a reply that I had written to the office of the Gospel Advocate, expecting them to forward the reply to you if it met the approval of the editor and publisher. It seems that they did not so understand, and they returned these papers to me. Just as soon as I am able I will give attention to this matter again.

Thanking you again, and with all good wishes, I am
 Faithfully,

GCB:F Signed, G. C. BREWER.

I immediately replied to this letter and I think that by this time, Mr. Brewer knows that it might just be possible that I know what I am doing and what I am teaching. The most remarkable thing about this whole case lies in the fact that my friend Brewer states: "Through some sort of intuition I expected the message from you." He wasn't noticing everything that came to him, but he took cognizance of my message. That just simply means that Mr. Brewer did not know this through intuition, but the part of him which is closest to the Spiritual Realm knew instinctively that this little life I live would join with him in the Spiritual Realm and would send him a message of healing. I mention this only to show that underneath all a man's professed beliefs,

there still lies a live, vital contact with the Universal Spirit of God.

It is alright for organizations and denominations to argue about this, that and the other thing in the Bible. It may be alright to pass opinions on other movements and it may be alright to theorize the Pauline epistles; it may also be alright to argue about the subject of baptism, for all of this can lead nowhere. If you take one hundred Baptist preachers with all their arguments in favor of baptism and with all of them standing ready to prove that baptism is scriptural, I can produce another one hundred men of equal Spirituality and of equal intelligence who will be in a position to prove that the question of baptism isn't scriptural, and so it goes. I am not interested in whether the question of baptism is scriptural or not, for the simple reason that I don't consider the scriptures any more than a group of absolutely anonymous writings. Their authorship is unknown and their authenticity is unknown. I can take the Bible of the Hindu, which existed long before this one was heard of, and I can show you hundreds of passages which certainly must have been copied from the Hindu Bible. As a matter of fact, practically every church rite is of Buddhist origin. I would say to these gathering preachers who have a wonderful time among themselves, that they look elsewhere than to themselves for the solution of the day's problems of life and further betterment of mankind. As long as they preach the story they do, and as long as that story isn't true, their churches will not be filled. Should they stage a motion picture show or hire some vaudeville preacher who can fill the church? The result would be entertainment and not Spiritual help. Before you can better mankind, you must have something to offer them which is a little better than that which they have. Before you can raise the morals of mankind, you must yourself have a little higher morals than they have, and before you can tell the human race anything about the Truths of God, you must know more about these Truths of God than the people do to whom you are teaching them. This is where the church has fallen flat. It has absolutely nothing of an enlightening nature to give to anyone.

You don't find the Christian Science churches empty, nor can you find a Christian Science church in existence with a

mortgage on it. They are Spiritually successful and they are financially successful and yet you go and ask a Christian Scientist whether or not he believes in the story of the virgin birth. I can't find one reason why these stories should be believed. I can't find here what good it would do the human race even if they were true. That happened nearly two thousand years ago and this great God of the church died, and like all the rest of the Gods, he has never been heard from since. Two thousand years is a long time, and yet if he had the power of resurrection once, certainly he still has it, but the silence of the church God is appalling and I don't think this gathering of preachers in Eugene, Oregon, will help the situation any either. This orthodox church structure as it exists today will either have to change its belief or it will have to go out of existence, if it hasn't done that already. Personally, I prefer to see all religious organizations die a natural death. I think the world would be better off without any of them, for then in the absence of any organization attempting to sell the Truth of God, the human race would automatically find these Truths and without the aid of any church or priest or preacher.

One thing I do every so often is to sneak into the back of some Catholic church or other and watch the performance going on there. I wonder why supposedly intelligent human beings can ever fall for such a line of bunk as that. I am not questioning the honesty of any one in the organization, but I am certainly questioning the intelligence of anyone who will depend upon such performances for Spiritual Truth. The day is at hand, however, when this sort of stuff, with all the rest of the religious pot-pouri, will be thrown where it belongs and that is into the garbage pail of the dead Pagan superstitions. No, my friends, God is Spirit and Spirit is Life, capable of existence without physical form. When any man attempts to clothe himself with supposed authority from God, that man has more nerve than I have. Those who know most about the Spirit of God will ever tell you that they know nothing at all about it. Those who lead others into the Realm of Spiritual Truth will be those whom the church absolutely ignores. The consciousness of the Spirit of Life, which is the Spirit of God, is the most potent and dynamic

thing in the universe. What remains is but to get as far as possible away from this sickening thing which is offered to us today as religion and get as close as possible to the Great Master of this universe. When this is done how pale and paltry will our present church structure seem. Having the form of godliness but denying the power, though clean on the outside, but inwardly full of filth and corruption.

Dr. Washington Gladden had the sense of it all and I am going to close this article with the beautiful hymn which he wrote. Yet the church kicked Dr. Gladden out of it on account of his utterances and told him he knew nothing whatsoever of God or Spiritual Truth. Now listen to this beautiful hymn and form your own conclusions as to whether he did or not.

O Master, let me walk with Thee
In lowly paths of service free;
Tell me Thy secret; help me bear
The strain of toil, the fret of care.

Help me the slow of heart to move
By some clear, winning word of love;
Teach me the wayward feet to stay,
And guide them in the homeward way.

Teach me Thy patience; still with Thee
In closer, dearer company,
In work that keeps faith sweet and strong,
In trust that triumphs over wrong.

In hope that sends a shining ray
Far down the future's broadening way,
In peace that only Thou canst give,
With Thee, O Master, let me live.

—W. Gladden.

There is nothing in this beautiful hymn about predestination, baptism or the Lord's supper. There is nothing in this hymn about hell's fire, nothing in this hymn about wheat and chaff and sheep and goats, for Dr. Gladden knew far better than that. Year's ago when he wrote this precious document which will live as a monument to this man's spirituality, the Congregational church kicked him out, and if this bunch of preachers in Eugene, Oregon, had a man like Dr. Gladden amongst them now, they would probably crucify him. They are so married to their church Bible and so afraid of losing their jobs, that they haven't the intestinal fortitude to call a lie a lie when they see it. They would rather hoodwink and bamboozle the public with their tarnished, insane "salvation" stories than they would go out and do an honest day's work. I have no use for this sort of thing and the

solution to the problems of the human race lie a million miles away from it too.

When I want to commune with the great Life Spirit of this universe, I get as far away from preachers and churches as I can possibly get. Out in the wheat field, or out along some quiet lane, I will park the car and just sit in absolute silence. I will see the lowing herds of cattle and I will watch the meadow lark and listen to its song. Little fleecy, snow-white clouds will perhaps be drifting across the sky of azure blue. I will be alone with God. There will be stillness all around me and out of that stillness will speak the Spiritual language of "the still small voice," for God ever speaks through the quiet mind and heart. Joy is like a restless day, but Peace divine is like the quiet night. So to my readers, I say, get away from priests and preachers if you want to find God. Not so long ago with an old suit of overalls on, I was prowling through New York Chinatown, through many dives and filthy rooming houses and the Bowery has plenty of filth, believe me. I went to a famous mission that used to be an opium joint and whose walls have seen many murders there. A strange place to find God you might say, but as I stood with my hands in my pockets in perhaps the Bowery's dirtiest cross street with its cross-breeds and bastard babies, did I experience the presence of God? Yes. There, hanging out over the sidewalk, sat a beautiful little canary in a cage. Its melody went strangely from its little throat right into the core of me, and something of an inseparable joy possessed me as I said out loud there unconsciously, "The only part of God there is in the Bowery is in that little bird."

In the old dope house, just now a mission, I was begged for money. In the "Little Church Around the Corner" I had to give a donation to get in. I walked over to the church of St. Francis of Assisi. I saw the line of two blocks with the flotsam and jetsam and driftwood of the human race. Over the door of the church were images of "saints," and underneath these images were wrecked human lives, both male and female, and the church was doling out to them bread and soup twice each day. I joined the waiting line, kept in order by the police, and taking my turn, went into the soup house, only to be confronted with another collection box.

So, when I want to find God, I try to find, not man's God, but nature's God, for as I have said before, I can sit down by the way side and take the tiniest blue bell or forget-me-not that blooms and I can look at that little thing and from its rare beauty there will flow from the most intermost depths of my soul, God.

I think I will leave you here with the express wish and desire that every reader of this article soon learn, if he hasn't learned already, the absolute shallowness of the present existing religious structure. Get away from it; let it die a natural death, because as long as the putrid thing soils the surface of this earth, men and women will be very apt to look to it for God, missing the greater Truth that the God of this universe isn't to be found in any system of man-made religion. Take a snow flake, many of which are falling now, put it under a microscope and you will see there the most marvelous forms of crystalization that cannot be duplicated, certainly not by any human hand. You can make no mistake in trying to learn of God through his own handiwork. Take the sweet-voiced, feathered songsters of the air, watch them closely, listen to them sing, and you will learn of God through his handiwork. Then as the first faint glimpse of the Peace and Power of this Life Spirit dawns upon your benighted and misguided soul, throw your restraint to one side and drink in the beauties of God as manifested through these little bits of his handiwork. You will be led step by step up the endless ladder of Spiritual Truth and it will not be long before you have risen above the sordid crowd and have bathed in the beauty of the sunlight of the love of the Spirit of God.

"WITH HIM"

Still with Thee

when purple morning breaketh;

When the bird waketh, and
the shadows flee.

Fairer than morning, lovelier than
the daylight;

Dawns the sweet consciousness—

I am with Thee.

"RELIGION"

"EIGHT KENTUCKIANS JAILED IN CULT RITUAL DEATH"

"By the Associated Press.

"Inez, Ky., Feb. 9.—Praying for deliverance in a guttural, unearthly chant, eight members of a mountain family are in jail today, seven of them charged with murder following the cult 'sacrifice' of an aged mother.

"Police said they crashed their way through barred doors into the desolate Mills homestead as plans were made to place the body of Mrs. Lucinda Mills, 72, on the altar.

"POLICE HALT RITUAL"

"Interrupting the haunting ritual of fasting and mystic rites, which police say started Friday, culminating in a mad frenzy of ardor, the officers arrested two daughters, two sons, a grandson, and two sons-in-law and a daughter-in-law of the slain woman.

"The prisoners, held in the Martin county jail here, are John Mills, 36, and Fred, 34, sons of the woman; Ballard, a 25-year-old grandson; Blaine McGinnis and Tom Boyd, sons-in-law; Mrs. Ollie McGinnis and Ora Mills, daughters, and Mrs. John Mills, the daughter-in-law.

"Tom Boyd is held as a material witness, the officers said, adding that the remaining seven are charged with murder.

"DIED AT HANDS OF SON."

"An inquest conducted by Judge T. J. Hardin brought a verdict that Mrs. Mills died 'at the hands of her son John and others.'

"Questioned at the jail, members of the family told police that hours of praying, shouting, singing and dancing—a part of the bizarre ceremony—called forth 'divine commands' that the life of one person present be offered in human sacrifice."

"Mrs. Mills was chosen, they said, and John grasped his mother by the neck as the others looked on.

"Blaine McGinnis told authorities he wanted to prevent the 'sacrifice' but that 'a feeling' impelled him to stand back.

"He said that his mother-in-law was strangled, a chain fastened about her throat and preparations made for a 'burnt offering.'

"A cross or an altar, was to have been erected, he continued, and her body placed upon it and burned. It was at this point that the police summoned by frightened neighbors, arrived.

"ALARMED BY SCREAMS."

"Residents of the sparsely settled section told police they were alarmed by the screams that came from the cabin.

"Judge Hardin explained that numerous cult gatherings had been held in the isolated hills near Inez but no indications had ever been given heretofore that the rites might lead to death and 'sacrifice.'

"Police say the cult members claim they perform miracles, such as converting water into wine, and transforming grapevine stalks into curling snakes."

The above Associated Press news item was sent to me a few days ago by one of my student friends in Ohio. In this "enlightening?" age, this news item is quite interesting for it shows in an unmistakable manner what I have claimed for some time. I have often made the statement that religious superstition is a curse of the human race and is the cause of practically all of the misery this old world has ever experienced. As far as we "Christians" go, this book called the Bible, while it contains, of course, many beautiful thoughts, at the same time, it is directly responsible for such inhuman acts as the one chronicled above. Had there been no Bible, there probably would have been no religious superstition in the world and the Caucasian race as a whole and perhaps the entire world would now be living in a far more wonderful state than the one in which we are living today.

If we take a hasty glance back through history it isn't very hard to find evidence of the thousands and tens of thousands of lives that have been cruelly snuffed out through the teachings of the Bible. John Calvin, the founder of the Presbyterian movement, was directly responsible for the brutal burning to death of Michael Servetus. Servetus wrote a famous "*Trinitaria*," whereupon, John Calvin had him arrested, thrown into jail and finally burned alive at the stake. A Presbyterian minister not long ago was attempting to condone this fact

by informing me that they later built a monument to this martyr on the very spot on which he was brutally burned to death. That is very nice. But the monument can never restore the life-giving stream to the charred bones of this man of God who had a vision of God and was murdered by the Presbyterian church for attempting to disseminate the Truth of God.

You will remember how Ridley and Latimer were burned alive chained to the cruel stake in London, England. As the horrible "Christian" flames licked the very heart's blood from these tormented bodies, Latimer was heard to say to Ridley: "Cheer up, Ridley, for this day shall kindle a fire which will never be put out." Tracing history back a little farther, we find the beacon flares illuminated in England and Scotland with the ghastly light as the death screams of thousands of men, women and children resounded to heaven's highest dome and hell's deepest depths, and is still resounding and will ever resound until the day comes when all this religious horror is done away with.

Coming to our own fair land, within the last one hundred and twenty-five years, we find the "Christian" following the dictates of their "Holy Bible," chopping off heads of women on the Boston commons and all because of the teachings of the Bible. I am perfectly willing to admit that there are Spiritual Truths in the Bible which stand peerless in the realm of Truth. But I cannot close my eyes to the fact that this same book also teaches the most horrible crimes in the immense category of crimes. The twenty-eighth chapter of Deuteronomy teaches cannibalism, while the thirteenth chapter of Deuteronomy teaches bloody murder. Perhaps I had better quote from the thirteenth chapter of Deuteronomy to prove this statement. "If thy brother, the son of thy mother, or thy son, or thy daughter, or the wife of thy bosom, or thy friend, which is as thine own soul, entice thee secretly, saying, Let us go and serve other Gods, which thou hast not known, thou shalt not consent unto him, nor hearken unto him; neither shalt thou spare, neither shalt thou conceal him: But thou shalt surely kill him; thine hand shall be the first upon him to put him to death, and afterwards the hand of all the people." Now, if that isn't teaching murder, I do not know what it is teaching.

Then again, we find taught in this Bible the following crimes: Incest, lying, rape, mayhem, adultery, and countless others which I have mentioned many times before in my various writings. I try to be very fair in everything I write, therefore, I am willing to give full credit to the Bible for everything in it which is deserving of credit. I would be a very unfair and lopsided individual if I chose all the nice things in there and taught them and passed by, unheeding, the horrible monstrosities taught in this book. The church does that and utter failure is the result of church activities. As a matter of fact, I have often pointed out every fundamental of the church religion is a hang-over from and had its birth in some form of heathen or Pagan superstition. The doctrine of the atonement is absolutely Oriental in its origin. The doctrine of the Holy Ghost is also of heathen origin. The divine "word" is also of Oriental origin, while the doctrine of eternity is a very ancient and a current heathen doctrine. The absolution of sin and the confession of sins is too of heathen origin as is the entire Roman Catholic church for that matter. The origin of baptism by water and by fire and by blood and by the Holy Ghost, all of these dogmas are 100% of heathen or Pagan origin. The famous sacrament or Eucharist is of heathen origin and the doctrine of anointing with oil was practiced by the Oriental religions long before Christianity was ever heard of.

I think it must be pretty well established in the minds of my followers by this time that the entire Bible is a very human piece of work. I stated in one of my books that all of the Old Testament could very effectively be thrown onto the garbage pail. I stated that a good deal of the New Testament could go also. There have been men illumined by the Spirit of God and accounts of these men are given in the Bible, but for every word of truth in that book, there is so much untruth that certainly the earnest seeker after truth must be warned of that untruth. The danger is too great when one blindly and unhesitatingly accepts all of the Bible as the divinely inspired word of God. There is no such thing, and I can submit evidence which will carry its point in any court of the land, that the Bible in parts, is one of the most filthy pieces of literature ever released. I can quote court

citations where certain parts of it have been barred the use of the United States mails.

This article isn't an attack on the Bible by any means, it is an attack, however, on some of the teachings of the Bible, which teachings run contrary to every law of reason, truth and God. When I see cases like the one at the beginning of this article, my blood boils within me for I know that these cases are directly attributable to religious and Pagan superstitions as taught in the Bible. Not every one who pretends to follow the Bible would do these things but just the same, every fundamental doctrine of every leading denomination in this country had its origin in heathen or Pagan religious philosophies, all of them in existence long before Christianity was ever heard of. There isn't a preacher alive who can successfully refute this statement and very few of them try to. You don't find any of them taking issue with me over the statements I make. Once in a while, perhaps, some fanatical unreasoning organization will run an article telling its followers what a terrible monster I am, but thinking religious leaders and the thinking people are with me. I do not think there is a man in existence who receives as many evidences of the Truth of his teaching as I do. I am not interested in that at all. I do not care what anybody thinks of me or of my teachings. These wonderful letters are all appreciated to the fullest, but at the same time, I can get along without them. When I started this movement, I rose far above public opinion. I am immune to the effects of public opinion for this work and myself are both grounded in the Spirit of the Universal Truth and no single organization, nor all the combined denominations or organizations can either close my mouth or stop this work. Here in this marvelous land of ours, with all of its enlightenment and with all its wealth and with all its dauntless intelligence, we still find the remnants of religions superstition with us. There is always "a remnant that remains," and I suppose for the next one hundred years, there will still be some who blindly and fanatically hang on to these foolish Pagan philosophies to the benightment of their own souls and the retrogression of the human race. As I say, in essence it is all directly

traceable to the "Holy book of God."—the Bible.

Even the great Christ of the Christian church was a murderer at heart. Probably the church preachers won't tell you this, but if you'll look up the twenty-seventh verse of the nineteenth chapter of Luke's Gospel, you'll find the following statement: "But those mine enemies, which would not that I should reign over them, bring hither, and slay them before me." This is the saying of the Christian Christ, who we are told was manifested to save the world from sin and all the rest of this tommyrot. Here you have the Great God of this Universe telling his followers to go and catch those who would not follow him and murder them all in front of him. If the great founder of the church religion did this, is it fair to blame John Calvin, think you? Is it fair to blame the murderers of Ridley and Latimer, think you? Is it fair to blame the thousands of church dignitaries who caused the ruthless murder of hundreds of thousands of helpless babes, women and children? If the great Christ, the founder of the Christian religion, did this, can we blame the people of Kentucky for their ghastly murder? Don't tell me that the Christ of the church religion is the model after whom I should pattern my life. Don't tell me that "the lamb of God," who made such a murderous utterance as this, can "take away the sins of the world." You can't take away the sins of the world by murdering people unless you kill them all. You can't purge this world of "sin" and "unrighteousness" by the cruel slaying of those who will not allow any particular religious individual to rule over them. The church Bible has very clearly drawn up a threat which it uses to hold over people's heads and it tells you in very plain language that if you do not abide by the conditions governing its form of religion, you will be eternally damned and the followers of the Christian religion have very effectively done that in past ages. At any rate, they certainly have damned hundreds of thousands of people.

No, it is all wrong and we had better face it now because the day is just about here when if we don't discard it, this world will be plunged into such a bloody chaos, the like of which was never seen before. I am not so sure that it won't happen anyhow, but you can take it from me, if you

want to that 99.9% of the crime, misery and so-called "sin" in this world is directly traceable to those who presented us with a Christian Bible and to those who still tell us that they represent the Infinite God on this earth.

I shall be told here that if you take the Bible and the churches out of the world, it will go to hell in short order. However, considering the source of that statement, it is one of the surest proofs that the statement is wrong. If you take the Bible and the churches out of the world today instead of the world going to hell, it will automatically right itself. It will automatically find the answer to all of the perplexing problems of life and better than all, it will automatically find God, who never for one single moment has been separated from his creation. Blind eyes of religious superstition cannot see God. Having eyes, they see not. Having ears, they hear not. Having tongues, they speak falsely and all in the name of God.

I would like to continue this article indefinitely, but it would take many magazines the size of this one to contain what I could write upon this subject. There-

fore, I will draw it to a close and leave with you thoughts of Infinite Peace and thoughts of an Infinite Love which rises far above the religious philosophies of this mundane sphere and which transforms a human soul into the Realm of the Spirit of Life is the Spirit of the Great God.

To my preacher friends, I ask them to study this article very carefully. Read it over and over again, for you will find running through it the Spirit of impelling Truth and if you will follow the leadings of this Spirit of Truth, it will lead you away from, and out of your cold, clammy, deathly shell of religion with which you have clothed yourself. It will point you to the way of all Truth and no matter what the cost may be, if you hesitate, you probably will be lost. There is no need to halt between two opinions for two opinions cannot both be the truth. Either one is truth and the other is false, or they both are false. They both cannot be true. Either your philosophy of life is true and mine is false, or they are both false. Now use your head and follow the little gleam of light which is spreading throughout the world through the teachings of this movement.

Warning—

This World is on the
verge of a catastrophe
. . . . stand quiet and
smile in the faith.

"Results"

Phoenix, Arizona,
October 26, 1932.

Dr. Frank B. Robinson,
Moscow, Idaho.

Dear Dr. Robinson:

Last night I received my fourth lesson and I think it is wonderful. Of course I have had time to read it over only once, but I shall read it every night until the next one comes.

When I wrote you about the lessons I was hardly able to crawl around. I had just gone back to work from a period of nearly two years' idleness which with the worry, etc., had about done me up.

I could not do a day's work to save me, and the girls all helped me as much as they could. Today I am a different person. I feel just fine and I do not need anyone to help me in any way. I am really not the same person. I am better, mentally, physically and spiritually—better in every way.

I am so thankful for it all. I am eating foods that I have not dared to eat in at least six years and I am not feeling any ill effects from it.

I can hardly wait from one lesson to the other, and I thank you for helping me to understand this great law. I am following as closely as I know how and believe I have absorbed and understand as far as I have gone.

Your pupil,

NELLIE ABBOTT HAYWARD.

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"Results"

JAPAN

Many requests are coming in to me for an opinion on what is liable to happen in the Far East. While I am not a fortune teller or anything like that, I shall be happy to write this article, because it might be of interest to the thousands of my students throughout the world.

A situation similar to this one has never before arisen in the world's history and this situation might very easily be the changing point in the history of the world. A lot of dynamite is wrapped up in that Japanese situation. I would like to analyze it a little and see if I can't find out what the ultimate end of the Japanese will be. I shall not depend upon any "Bible prophecies" or anything of that sort, but upon a clear, calm, thinking analysis of what actually is behind the scenes of this condition which threatens the peace of the entire world.

In the first place, this is but another instance of unrestrained religious fanaticism. Very few people realize this angle of it, but the Japs think they have a system of religion which they call "*Japanism*," and like all the rest of the nations that have felt that they had a peculiar alliance with God, they are allowing this fanatical religious superstition to drive them to lengths which they would not even consider under normal circumstances. It is a remarkable thing that all these religious forces have been accompanied by the sword. That is a funny way to put over a religious teaching, but that is history just the same. Japan tells the world that she has a Spiritual mission and she states that she has definite instructions from God to teach all civilization just what this real and true power behind her actually is. I would not be much afraid of the Japanese if there were no religious fanaticism behind them. History paints many pictures of other nations imbued with this self-same fanatical superstition that God Almighty has caused them to be in order that they may disseminate the real truths of God to the rest of the world. Where this attitude is manifested and where a nation actually believes this to be a fact, this nation becomes doubly dangerous. Germany did this and she met defeat. Japan is doing this and she will meet defeat.

The salvation point to this whole question lies in the fact that anyone in the unnatural grip of religious superstition, whether individual or national, loses his sense of reason and allows the religious emotions to cause them to do things, which if they exercise the light of reason, they would not do. This thing called "*Japanism*" represents the ideals and efforts of a group of Japanese intellectuals and patriots to interpret the soul of Japan for the Spiritual benefit of humanity. Japan feels very sure of herself. She perhaps visualizes without illusion the difficulties and dangers in the way, but this Spirit of "divine guidance" will very effectually bring Japan to a fitting end. Mr. Matsuoka, the Japanese envoy to Geneva and spokesman for the Japanese Government, said the other day: "*Japan can offer spirituality to America and the entire western world. Japan, I am convinced, will be the cradle of a new Messiah. This Messiah will be a Japanese priest who will interpret the Sermon on the Mount in terms of Hindu philosophy.*" There is the misguided, insane statement which will prove to be the rock upon which the Japanese structure will fall. The evolution in the knowledge of the Spirit of God is disclosing the fact that this great realm of God doesn't need Japanese priests or Catholic priests or any other kind of a priest to interpret either the Sermon on the Mount or any other sermon to the human race. We need no church buildings of any kind, nor do we need super-appointed "Ambassadors of God" to tell us that they have received a revelation from God, to tell you and me how we shall approach God or by what system we shall find this great Spirit. Japan states that she is going to be the nation out of which will come another Messiah. Well, we do not want any more Messiahs. We have had too many of them already, for always, the Messiah comes with a dynamite bomb in one hand and a sword in the other. Messiah after Messiah has blazed across the sordid, gloomy horizon of a chaotic world ever since the world came to be. The quicker we can get rid of them, the better will the world be. However, we are considering impending evidence surrounding this Japanese situation.

It is my conviction, as I stated, that any nation trained and armed for conflict and with such Spiritual conceptions as the Japanese have, is a nation to be reckoned with. I do not care whether their spiritual visions are true or false. There never has been a great conquest ever undertaken where religion has not been tied to the sword. This is the record of Christianity and this is the record of every other religion of any size. The Mohammedans linked what they thought was a Spiritual force with the sword and for centuries threatened to overrun the world. In the conflict which cannot help but come, hundreds of thousands of lives will be lost and the entire world will be engulfed in this cataclysm which has as its controlling power, "a supernaturally revealed religion." Japan is a cocky, overbearing, and truculent nation and she has the courage and spirit of a man, when as a matter of fact, she is nothing but a child. She is under the control of what she calls "*Japanism*." The League of Nations means nothing to her. America means nothing to her, nor all the rest of the nations combined mean anything to Japan, because she is driven by this insane religious frenzy called "*Japanism*."

If there were no religion connected with this Japanese situation it wouldn't even be dangerous, but with this false conception of her Spiritual mission, she becomes doubly dangerous and is a force to be reckoned with.

I will say to you, that Japan constitutes the most dangerous nation the world has ever seen. I will say something else though. She will come to her end and none will help her, simply because the fanatical religious structure she is attempting to set up is contrary to the Law of the Spirit of God as it exists. There will be plenty of bloodshed first. The United States could not keep out of it if she wanted to, but the end is foreordained from the beginning and for the reason I state.

Rome went that way. Greece went that way. Germany went that way, and whenever and wherever man-made ideas of God are allowed to precipitate warfare, the nation advocating these funny ideas cannot possibly be successful in the long run. My advice to my students all over the world is to throw thoughts of absolute failure against Japan. Standing here dictating this, I know positively and beyond the shadow

of a doubt that a concentrated, direct effort on the part of thousands, possessed with the Great Life Spirit of God can do more to cause the elimination of Japan than can all the warships in existence. You see, when a person or a nation operates in violation of the Spiritual Realm of God, then that individual or that nation puts into operation a Law, or violates a Law, which automatically brings retribution to that individual or to that nation. It could not be otherwise, so, while the first blow may be a bad one and while it may involve the whole world, let me say to you now, that Japan is doomed just as surely as if she had never been born.

Every morning and every night, I want each student of mine in every country of the world to quietly visualize this little Japanese spokesman and transmit to this man, thoughts of absolute failure. You know that the thought of a person in tune with the Infinite is a very dynamic thing. It knows nothing about distance. It knows nothing about anything physical or material. Therefore, the concentrated thoughts of a group of people, thousands strong and all in tune with the Infinite God, can do more than we dream of in rectifying a situation like this.

I think this is all I have to say now on this Japanese situation. I would like to see a movement started though which movement, through the force of its own Spiritual Power, could cause something to happen which would eliminate Japan from the picture without the shedding of blood. I think, though, that out of this whole mess and out of the pain the world will experience, a new child will be born. There will be a new conception, or rather a more vivid international conception of the Power of God than the world has ever seen before. However, I shall have more to say about that later.

"AN EMPTY BUCKET
CAN ALWAYS BE FILLED.
A FULL ONE NEVER."

FALSE BELIEFS

One of the most prominent men in the whole Inland Empire, General Drain, is a student of mine. The other day in the Davenport Hotel in Spokane I was speaking with General Drain regarding this work of mine. I asked his reactions to it, and was advised that the General had received much good from it. Being born and raised in the church, this gentleman thought perhaps some of the things I teach might cause some to lose faith in "the book" and he thought that this would not be so good.

Upon pressing the question, I asked the General if he had completely finished the studies. He told me that he had been called to Washington and therefore was unable to completely finish them, and he admitted that he was in no position to pass much of an opinion until he finished the Course.

He told me that many people receive much good from the study of the Christian religion, whereupon I asked him if he thought any Spiritual Light could be received through believing in a story which is not true. The General replied that he though much good could be obtained by believing in any religious story, whether it was true or not. That is just where the General and I differ. I maintain that you cannot find any of the truths of God from a philosophy of life which is not true. If Jesus Christ was not miraculously born, if he did not suffer crucifixion, and if he did not rise from the dead and if he was not God, then I fail to see where any of the truths of God can be found in believing that story. I am willing to grant that no matter what philosophy of life a person adopts, if he lives it out it certainly will work in his affairs. But I don't believe the truth of the great existing God can be found through believing in a story that is not true.

What you do get when you believe in these untrue stories is a membership in the organization that teaches them. Don't we see the results of that? To the Christians the Hindus are all heathens, and to the Hindus the Christians are all heathens, and so on. That is because they both believe in differing religious systems. One worships Chrisna or Brahma, while the other worships Christ. And that is as far as you can go in any of the differing religious sys-

tems we have with us today. You can't get a bigger picture of God than your organization can paint, and if the religious structure of Christianity is based upon a blood atonement, you can't get a more enlightening philosophy than that. That is the reason that religions of all kind, or, rather denominations of all kind, are dying like a silver birch stricken by the frost.

They have grown on the foolish assumption that their individual system of religion contains all the truths of God, and they can see no farther than that. To them every other system of religion is heathen. They send missionaries into foreign countries to try and convert those of another religion, regardless of the fact that all the other religion is far older than their own, and regardless of the fact that the other remillions embrace it. That is what this entire work of mine is founded on. I know the story the church tells us. I know where it came from and I know it isn't true. It is just an exaggeration of pagan religious philosophies and they all had their origin in a country which bred pagan religions by the yard. There isn't a rite that the Christian church has that was not stolen or copied from some pagan system of religion, and I maintain that so long as this is a fact, the church cannot give you and me any Spiritual Light or any truths of God.

The only God they know is the God their organization has ordered them to believe in and worship. In one case it is Christ. In another case it is Buddha. In another case it is Mohammed. In another case it is Osiris, and so on. It is true that they can tell you all about their own particular God, but they cannot tell you anything about the Great Creative Intelligence behind this universe, for the simple reason that they have never learned anything about Him. Their time has been occupied studying about their own man-made savior. How could they know anything about a God that exists entirely outside of their denomination?

So I think General Drain was entirely wrong in his theory that Spiritual Truths can be found in a false philosophy. The reason I write and speak as I do is because I am absolutely convinced that this Chris-

tian story is manufactured out of thin air, and the funny part of it is that the church itself cannot even prove the truth of its story. It does not try. It says you must take it on faith, and if you do you are saved, and if you don't believe it, you are damned. And there you are. This in a nutshell is the dictatorial, dogmatic attitude of the church.

As people find the existence of the Power of the great Life Spirit itself, which Spirit operates outside of any church organization, then, of course, their own membership will dwindle as it is dwindling, and they will find themselves on the rocks where they are finding themselves now. This, perhaps, is the reason that they don't like me and my teaching, although I will

say that a great majority of them do like it. They dare not come out and openly embrace it, but they sneak around the back way and make appointments with me and write me letters, so I know exactly how they feel. Some day, though, there is going to be a break. When a bunch of these preachers begin to have a little confidence in a sane, reasonable God, and when they are willing to go out and do an honest day's work for an honest day's pay, the church will find itself losing rapidly. Even the Roman Catholic church now is advertising for priests, and they never would do that before. However, all I can do is my little part, and all you can do is your little part, and in the fullness of time, much fruit will be born through our labors together.

Hope, New Mexico, Dec. 4, 1932

Dr. Frank B. Robinson,
Moscow, Idaho

Dear Dr. Robinson:

I AM FREE. A strange statement with which to start a letter, but the only kind of statement that will explain the exultation that has taken possession of me.

This morning as I was making last minute preparation preparatory to going into my pulpit, I realized how I was harassed and bound by the traditions of man and by the dogmas of previous times. But the shackles are off. I was in my study when it happened. The thought came to me, with force unexplainable, that no longer would I be tied by things expected of a preacher. The results? I am willing to leave that to the Power which controls the Universe.

I do not know where my new course will lead me to, and still stranger, I do not care. I am sure that the living God will take care of that.

It so happens that the denomination with which I am related gives to its ministers remarkable freedom of thought. In my future preaching I will, of course, speak some of the truth as you have made me to see. Will this be fair to you! Will it be fair to the denomination that has engaged me?

Your lessons have given me the very things which were dark in my own mind. I can never tell you the real appreciation that I feel toward the teachings of "Psychiana."

Sincerely,

JOHN OLASSEN

This minister, like many others thought he was preaching the REAL truths of God. He was honest as most of them are. But there were doubts in his mind so, following the admonition of the greatest spiritual Teacher the world has ever known, he "sought" and "found" the truth. Now he is free. "PSYCHIANA" is setting men and women FREE all over the world because it is pointing them to the great Spirit of God. (Not the church god but the Living God) Have you found this mighty Power yet?



Questions & answers

Conducted by Dr. Frank B. Robinson.

A question came to me recently, I do not remember from what student. The question asked, How did I account for the success of the Roman Catholic Church if it is all a fake?

ANSWER: My answer to this question is that I do not ever remember of having said that the Roman Catholic Church was a fake. I don't believe what it believes and am in a position to prove its ground perfectly untenable, but I do not believe I ever used the word "fake." Man is an intensely superstitious animal and Barnum was more than right in his day; he made the time limit too long though. It all revolves itself around a question of fear. In the past ages, lightning was a manifestation of the wrath of God and the old padre would instill the old fear of God into those who are foolish enough to believe it. It was not long ago that the old Catholic church would sell indulgences. For instance, if you wanted to go out and steal from someone, you would tell the priest and he would fix it with God and you could go out and steal. The idea that the Pope of the Roman Catholic church or the priests are the only true agents of, or mediators between God and man is taught to the people under the threat of religious persecution, torments and death. So thoroughly was this drilled into them, that their children believed it, and their children's children believed it. They won't even let a Catholic marry a Protestant without the consent of the Pope or some other ambassador of God without portfolio. Catholics are taught and instructed to raise large families and of course, they are all brought up under the inconsistencies of the Roman Catholic Church. It might interest you to know that I have definite information in my possession which shows a very remarkable decline in Roman Catholicism. The same decline is also shown in other forms of "supernaturally-revealed" religion. It is perhaps more pronounced in the Roman Catholic church than anywhere else. There are no systems of present-day religions which did not originate in the dark ages. For the first time in its history, the Roman Catholic church is advertising for priests. I think you will find though that this wholesale throwing-off of religion is very effectively weakening these orthodox church structures. As the true light of the Spirit of God becomes known, churches become no longer necessary.

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QUESTION: Where do you get your authority for the statement that the world has seen at least sixteen other crucified Saviors before the time of Christ?

ANSWER: I have answered this question so many times that I do not feel like answering it any more. This information is contained in the Special Christmas Edition of this magazine. Look it up.

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QUESTION: Do you believe in Spiritualism?

ANSWER: No, I do not believe in Spiritualism in the form it is practiced today. These seances and trumpet lectures and spirit writings and communion with the dead and all that sort of stuff is, so far as I am concerned, a lot of bunk. No one knowing Spiritual Law or Spiritual Truth can believe that stuff, because the Great Infinite Spirit of God does not speak through a trumpet nor does it rap on the table. I think I shall have to brand the whole thing a fakery.

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QUESTION: What did Jesus mean when He said, "There are some standing here which shall not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming, etc.?"

ANSWER: There is no proof whatever that Jesus ever made this statement, for the gospel that records it is perfectly anonymous. I think I know, however, what the Spiritual import of that statement means. There is no death to anyone knowing the consciousness of the Spirit of Life. We haven't advanced far enough yet to perhaps master the transitional period called death and there is an operation of life from the body, but I wouldn't call that death at all. The physical body, of course, is thrown in a hole in the ground and that is where it really belongs. It would be better had there never been any physical bodies. That was the state prior to the manifestation of these bodies and that will again be the state when the followers of the power of the Spirit of God becomes known. It is a question of sight and perspective. The mortal mind and mortal vision are limited. As the mortal sight and mind become attune to the Infinite mind and Infinite sight, a strange change which I cannot explain takes place by the God Consciousness in each of us. Once established, it may change its place of abode or then again, it may return to the great Cosmic God Realm from whence it came, but it cannot die. Only a person whose vision does not lie above the material can be very much upset over death. Those who know Spiritual Law are exceedingly happy when they see this phenomenon, for they know that someone has passed into the beauty of full Spiritual knowledge.

The Mighty Work Continues

Many times daily are such instances duplicated as men and women find the Power of God really exists.

Indianapolis,
January 6th, 1933.

Dr. Frank B. Robinson,
Moscow, Idaho.

Dear Dr. Robinson:

It would be utterly beyond my power of language to adequately express to you my gratitude for your recent help and especially your immediate response to my cry for help.

I should have hesitated to impose upon you but for the added tragedy that the baby's three-year-old brother was the cause (even if unwittingly) of the accident. Had the baby died—we of course would never have told his brother the real story—but some "kind friend" could have been depended upon to do it, and the knowledge that he had been the cause of his little brother's death, might easily have wrecked his whole life.

Last Thursday in a moment when his mother was down stairs, he got the zinc stearate powder can and was "powdering the baby for you" as he said. The top, although supposed to be practically immovable, came off and the powder was a half inch thick on the little fellow's face. He was rushed to the hospital and oxygen used constantly but that night pneumonia started. When I first wired you Friday morning, he was not able to swallow at all and nourishment was given by means of a tube through his nose; they were using saline solution and he was having frequent sinking spells.

Soon after the time I figure you received the relayed message, he took a decided turn for the better and held his own until Saturday night when he seemed to lose ground again and I sent the second wire. You already know the result of that from my night message. That Monday noon he was pro-

nounced out of danger. No one thought it was at all possible at any time to save him and it is counted simply miraculous. I was of course, all the time working as hard myself mentally as I knew how, but anything so close home engenders a lot of fear and my understanding is not yet sufficient that I could trust to it alone.

Johnny Lee is now well on the road to recovery—his chief trouble now being to convince them he needs food—and lots of it. That he lives and that Laddie is spared the tragedy of killing his baby brother I attribute entirely to your understanding of the Truth—and from the bottom of my heart I thank you.

Needless to say I am more interested than ever in the study of your Lessons and feel one should be able to "conquer the world."

Gratefully yours,

LENORE S. HENKLE.

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